

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Boumaza et al.
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Title : METAL AND PLASTIC COMPOSITE STRUCTURE, IN
PARTICULAR FOR THE FRONT FACE OF A MOTOR
VEHICLE

PETITION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 37 CFR §1.47(a)
(when an inventor refuses to sign or cannot be reached)

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Commissioner for Patents
PO BOX 1450
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Dear Sir:

As required by the rules, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned to accept the filing of the above-identified U.S. Patent Application. A Declaration Establishing Facts in Accordance with 37 CFR §1.47(a) is included herewith providing proof of the pertinent facts concerning the refusal of one of the inventors to join in the present application for patent.

The name and last known address of the inventor refusing to join in this application is as follows:

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and, as shown in paragraph 18 of the Declaration, an alternate address of:

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As shown in paragraphs 8 through 19 of the Declaration, François Boumaza has left the employ of Valeo and presently refuses to execute a Declaration/Power of Attorney required for

filing the present patent application. After diligent efforts to have François Boumaza execute the Declaration/Power of Attorney, as outlined in paragraphs 8 through 18 of the Declaration, the remaining inventors, Jean-Louis Lanard and Jean-Nicolas Guyomard, are entitled to make such application on behalf of themselves and for François Boumaza pursuant to 37 CFR §1.47(a). As shown in paragraph 20 of the Declaration, the remaining inventors have signed the Declaration/Power of Attorney, which is included herewith. The Applicant recognizes that François Boumaza may subsequently join in the application by filing an oath or a declaration complying with 37 CFR §1.63, if he chooses to do so.

The Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge the required petition fee under 37 CFR §1.17(g) of \$200.00 to our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard. The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit our Deposit Account No. 08-2789 in the name of Howard & Howard for any overpayments.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD & HOWARD ATTORNEYS

September 26, 2007

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